

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: WEAVER et al.	Group Art Unit: 3733
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Within two months of the August 7, 2006 mailing of a final Office Action,¹ applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and remarks in the above-identified application:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 12.

¹ Since the United States Patent & Trademark Office was closed on October 7, 2006 (Saturday) and Monday, October 9, 2006 (Federal Holiday), this response, submitted on Tuesday, October 10, 2006, should properly be considered as filed within two months of the August 7, 2006 mailing of the final Office Action.